

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the Paragraph entitled "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" with the following paragraph:

"The present application is a non-provisional patent application claiming priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/182,579 titled "Burner Assembly for a Gas-Burning Fireplace," filed February 15, 2000, Non-Provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 09/788,279, now U.S. Patent No. 6,443,726, issued September 3, 2002, titled "Burner Assembly for a Gas-Burning Fireplace," filed February 15, 2001, and Non-Provisional Application No. 10/126,075, titled "Burner Assembly for a Gas-Burning Fireplace," filed April 17, 2002, each of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety."